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Snake ESU/DPS update: Tucannon Habitat Programmatic and Asotin























Interesting Initiatives

CHaMP – habitat status and trends

Life Cycle Mortality Assessment

Project Effectiveness Monitoring

Time Lapse Camera Remote Monitoring

Low elevation aerial video

Agroforestry LWD donation

Recreational Fish Harvest Management



















Washington Approach















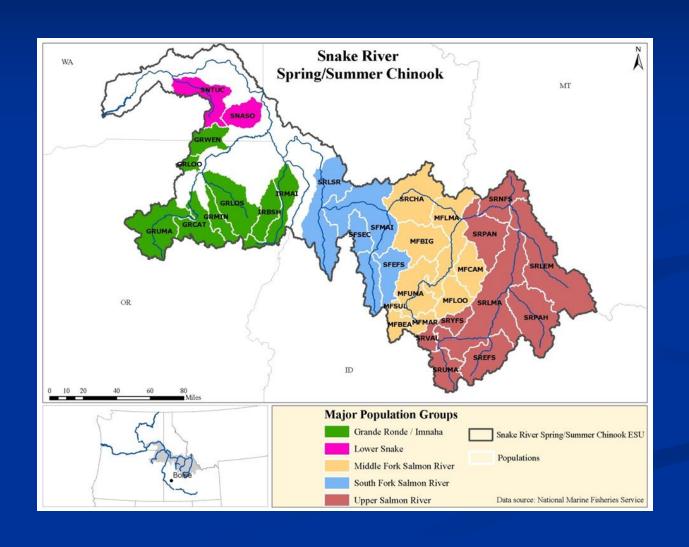








Geographic Context for Spring Chinook ESU



Tucannon Programmatic

Goal is to improve habitat conditions in the Tucannon River for the spring chinook domain by 17% as identified by the gap analysis in the 2008 FCRPS BiOp













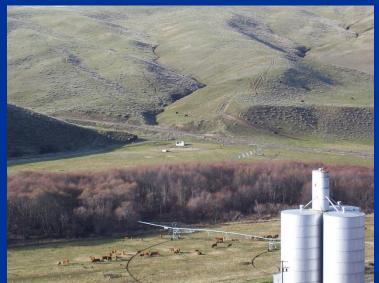
































Strategy

The watershed restoration framework (Roni, et al 2002) recommended that natural process (hydrology, sediment, temperature) be restored and isolated habitats be reonnected – this took 15 years. Those are now being followed with:

- 1. Develop side channels/connect floodplains
- 2. Remove or set back infrastructure (dikes, roads, buildings)
- 3. Enhance instream complexity (large wood)
- 4. Enhance riparian



































Connect River to Floodplain















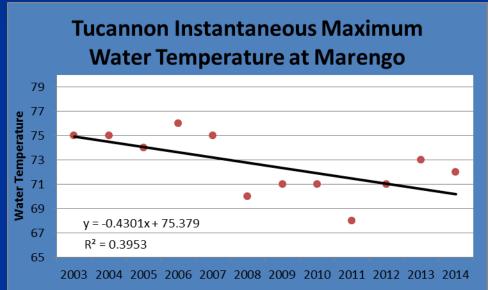




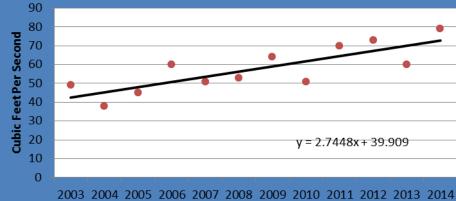




Results Colder Water & More Water



Tucannon River Instantaneous Minimum Flow at Marengo















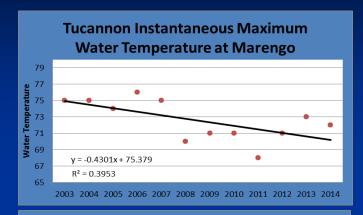


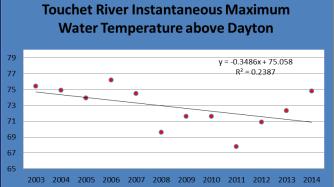


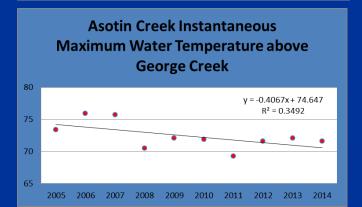


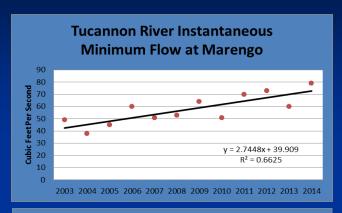


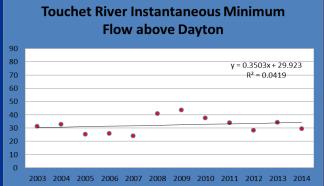
Regional Comparisons

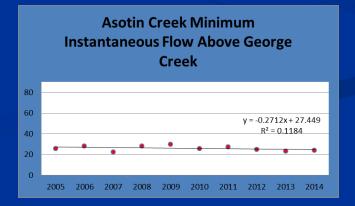




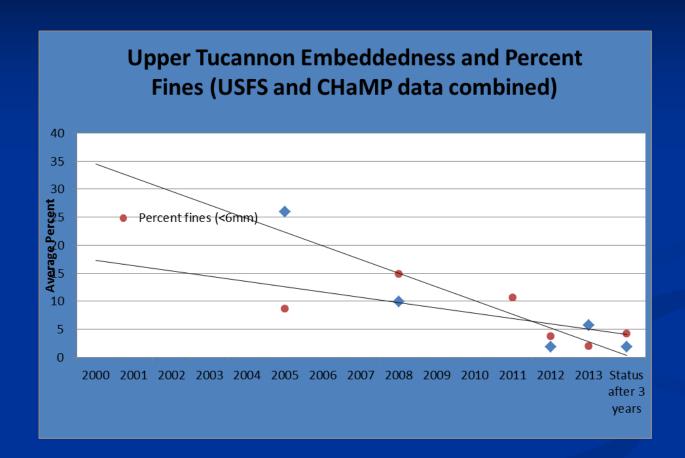








Sediment





















Adult Spring Chinook

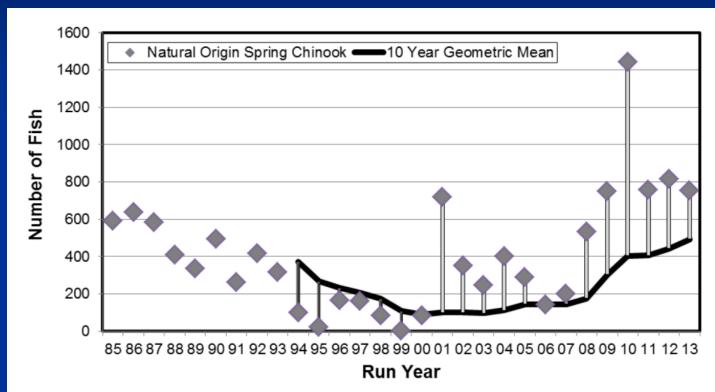


Figure 14. Tucannon River spring Chinook natural origin returns with the moving ten year geometric mean (black line) for the 1985-2013 run years.

















Asotin Creek Intensively Monitored Watershed



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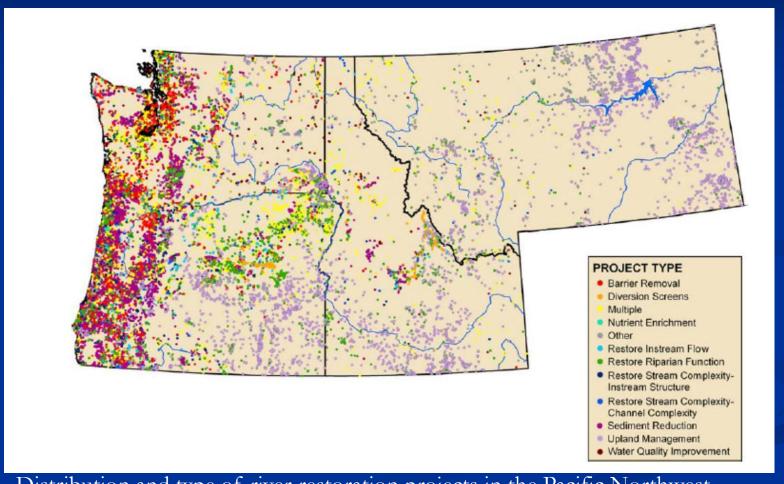
Thornton & Koch Families

OUTLINE

- Intensively Monitored Watershed
 - Who is doing "it" PSMFC, RCO, ELR, WDFW
 - Why are IMW's necessary
 - What IMW's are
- What have we been doing in Asotin (2008 2014)
 - Monitoring
 - Restoration
 - Results

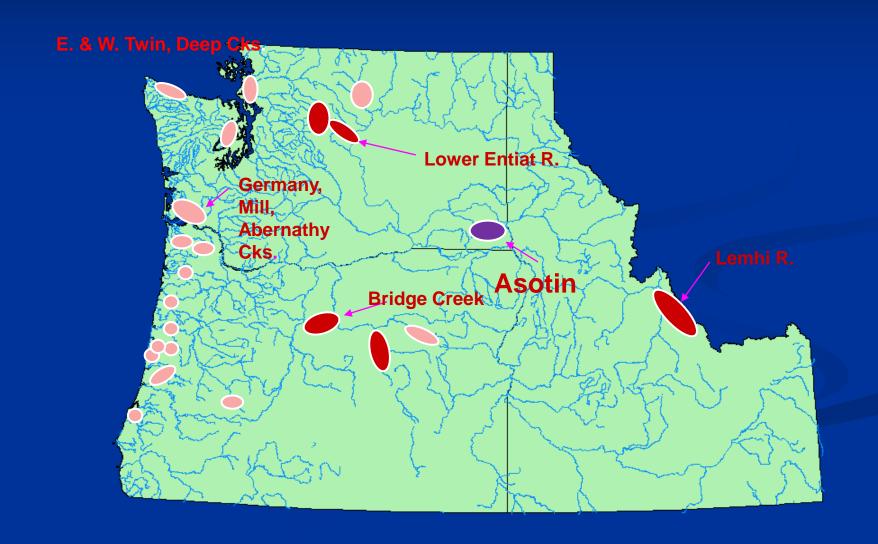
Why conduct restoration studies

Restoration Spending



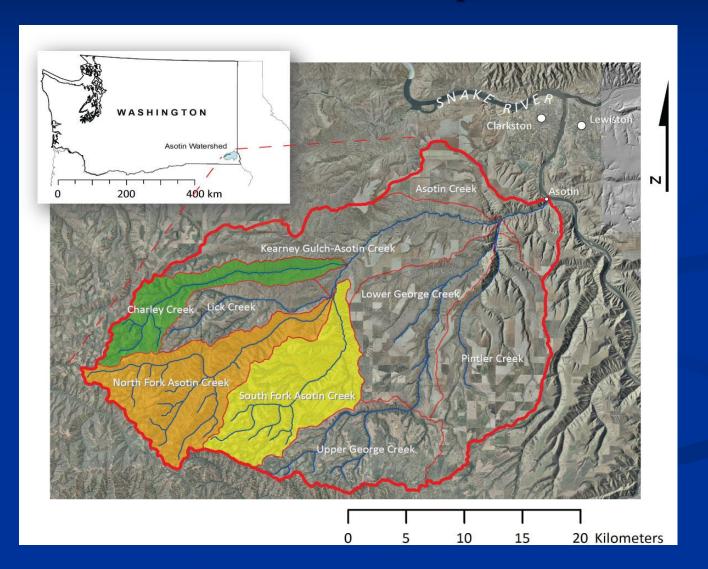
Distribution and type of river restoration projects in the Pacific Northwest (35,696 projects; Katz et al. 2007).

Intensively monitored watersheds (IMWs)



Asotin IMW

Location and Selection process



Asotin IMW goals

measures of success

- Success
 - ↑Smolts per Spawner



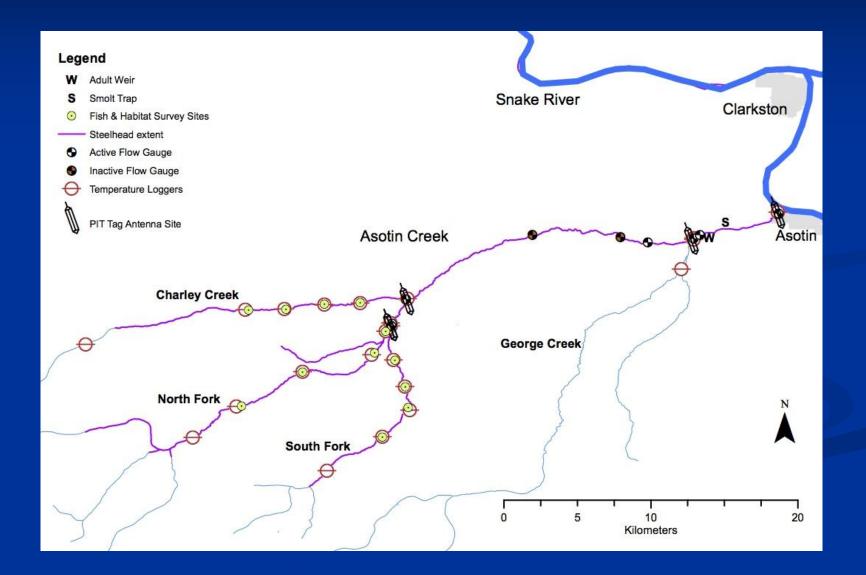




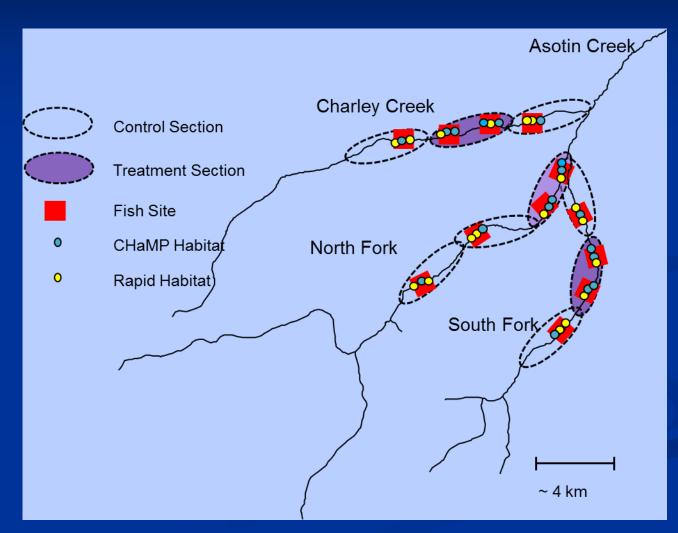


- Other Metrics
 - Juv. Abundance, Growth, Movement, Survival, Production (weight/area/time)

Monitoring Infrastructure



Experimental Design



Treatment Schedule

2012 – South Fork

2013 – Charley

2014 – North Fork

Monitoring



Fish



Habitat

Monitoring Fish (WDFW)

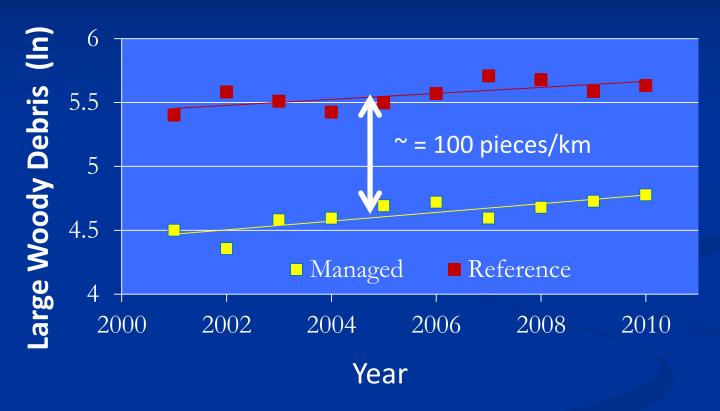


Adult weir



Smolt trap

Restoration rationale



Median wood counts (In) in managed and reference conditions across the interior Columbia Basin (Roper et al. 2011; AFS symposium in Seattle, WA).

Restoration method



Restoration methods Deflector PALS



Restoration methods

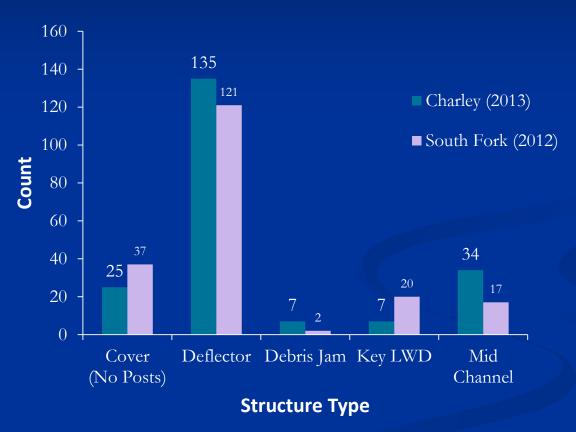
Mid-Channel PALS



Restoration methods Key LWD



Restoration Implementation



Number and type of structures built in South Fork Asotin Creek (2012; n = 197) and Charley Creek (2013; n = 208).

Restoration costs

Materials	Cost/ Structure
Posts (delivered)	10.00
Tree delivery	20.00
Labor (Installation)	40.00

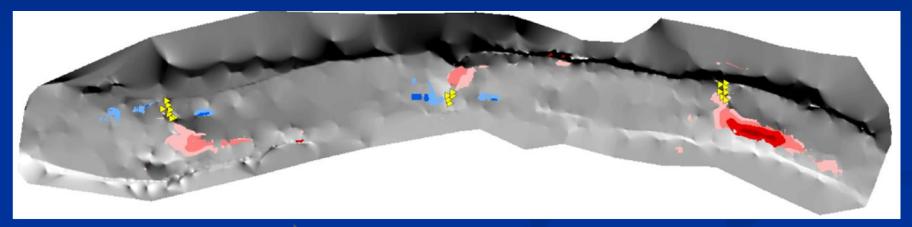


Habitat Changes



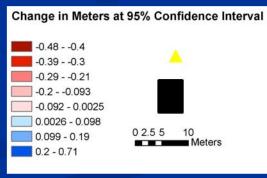
Habitat Changes

trial response: 2012



Stream Flow

Geomorphic change detection in North Fork trial restoration site: 2012-2011.



Legend

Habitat changes

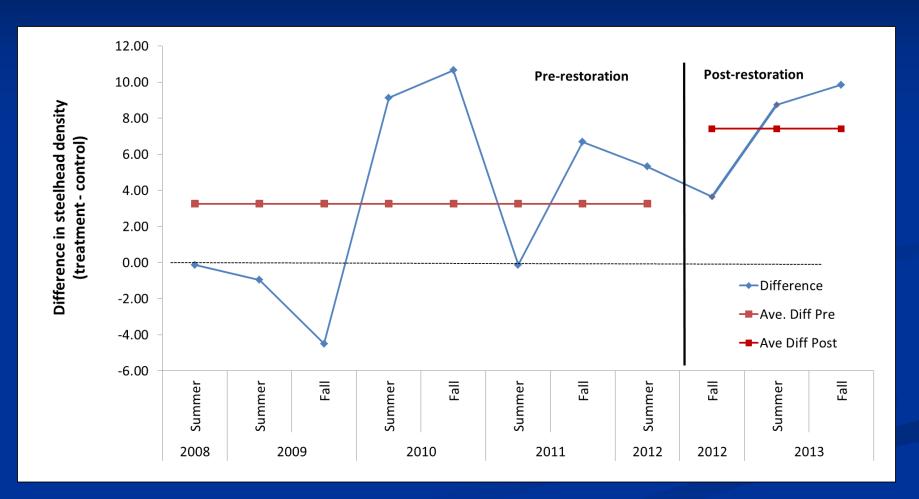


FISH Results Juvenile Steelhead PIT Tag Summary

Stream	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	Total
Asotin	2,462	1,552	1,895	1,862	946	2,605	4,002	4,680	3,378	23,382
Charley	-	-	-	423	1,294	1,953	1,282	1,136	1,247	7,335
North Fork	-	-	-	372	470	1,396	906	932	1,809	5,885
South Fork	-	-	-	549	735	1857	1275	1495	1940	7851
IMW subtotal	-	-	-	1,344	2,499	5,206	3,463	3,563	4,996	21,071
Total	2,462	1,552	1,895	3,206	3,445	7,811	7,465	8,243	8,374	44,453

Summary of the number of juvenile steelhead (> 70 mm) PIT tagged in Asotin Creek from 2005 to 2013. * WDFW fish data provisional for 2012 & 2013.

FISH RESULTS

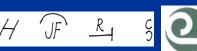


Difference of juvenile steelhead density between South Fork treatment and all controls combined (Pre P = 0.12).



Looking Forward

- Habitat Programmatic Expansion
- IMW and CHaMP results
- Life Cycle Mortality and Project Effectiveness results
- Maintain the Course













Thank You



















